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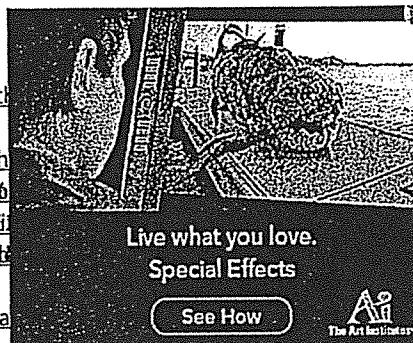
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#### 1. colony, settlement (noun)

a body of people who settle far from home but maintain ties with their homeland; inhabitants remain nationals of their home state but are not settler under the home state's system of government

*"the American colony in Paris"*

#### 2. village, small town, settlement (noun)

a community of people smaller than a town

#### 3. settlement (noun)

a conclusive resolution of a matter and disposition of it

#### 4. colonization, colonisation, settlement (noun)

the act of colonizing; the establishment of colonies

*"the British colonization of America"*

#### 5. settlement, resolution, closure (noun)

something settled or resolved; the outcome of decision making

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1. **settlement** (Noun)  
The state of being settled.
2. **settlement** (Noun)  
A colony that is newly established; a place of recent or newly settled.
3. **settlement** (Noun)  
A community of people living together, such as a hamlet, village, town, or city.
4. **settlement** (Noun)  
The gradual sinking of a building. Fractures or dislocations caused by settlement.
5. **settlement** (Noun)  
The delivery of goods by the seller and payment for them by the buyer, under a previously agreed trade or transaction or contract entered into.
6. **settlement** (Noun)  
A disposition of property, or the act of granting it.
7. **settlement** (Noun)  
A settled place of abode; residence; a right growing out of legal residence.
8. **settlement** (Noun)  
A resolution of a dispute.

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1. **Settlement** (noun)  
the act of setting, or the state of being settled
2. **Settlement** (noun)  
establishment in life, in business, condition, etc.; ordination or installation as pastor
3. **Settlement** (noun)  
the act of peopling, or state of being peopled; act of planting, as a colony; colonization; occupation by settlers; as, the settlement of a new country
4. **Settlement** (noun)  
the act or process of adjusting or determining; composure of doubts or differences; pacification; liquidation of accounts; arrangement; adjustment; as, settlement of a controversy, of accounts, etc
5. **Settlement** (noun)  
bestowal, or giving possession, under legal sanction; the act of giving or conferring anything in a formal and permanent manner
6. **Settlement** (noun)  
a disposition of property for the benefit of some person or persons, usually through the medium of trustees, and for the benefit of a wife, children, or other relatives; jointure granted to a wife, or the act of granting it
7. **Settlement** (noun)

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that which settles, or is settled, establish or fixed

**8. Settlement (noun)**  
matter that subsides; settling; sediment; lees; dregs

**9. Settlement (noun)**  
a colony newly established; a place or region newly settled; as, settlement  
in the West

**10. Settlement (noun)**  
that which is bestowed formally and permanently; the sum secured to a  
person; especially, a jointure made to a woman at her marriage; also, in  
the United States, a sum of money or other property formerly granted to a  
pastor in addition to his salary

**11. Settlement (noun)**  
the gradual sinking of a building, whether by the yielding of the ground  
under the foundation, or by the compression of the joints or the material

**12. Settlement (noun)**  
fractures or dislocations caused by settlement

**13. Settlement (noun)**  
a settled place of abode; residence; a right growing out of residence; legal  
residence or establishment of a person in a particular parish or town,  
which entitles him to maintenance if a pauper, and subjects the parish or  
town to his support

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##### 1. Settlement

In law, a settlement is a resolution between disputing parties about a legal  
case, reached either before or after court action begins. The term  
"settlement" also has other meanings in the context of law. Structured  
settlements provide for a periodic payment.

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### SETTLEMENT

Pronunciation (US): *setelmənt*

Dictionary entry overview: What does settlement mean?

- **SETTLEMENT (noun)**

The noun **SETTLEMENT** has 7 senses:

1. a body of people who settle far from home but maintain ties with their homeland; inhabitants remain nationals of their home state but are not literally under the home state's system of government
2. a community of people smaller than a town
3. a conclusive resolution of a matter and disposition of it
4. the act of colonizing; the establishment of colonies
5. something settled or resolved; the outcome of decision making
6. an area where a group of families live together
7. termination of a business operation by using its assets to discharge its liabilities

Familiarity information: **SETTLEMENT** used as a noun is common.

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Dictionary entry details

- **SETTLEMENT (noun)**

Sense 1

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**Meaning:**

A body of people who settle far from home but maintain ties with their homeland; inhabitants remain nationals of their home state but are not literally under the home state's system of government

**Classified under:**

Nouns denoting groupings of people or objects

**Synonyms:**

colony; settlement

**Hypernyms ("settlement" is a kind of...):**

body (a group of persons associated by some common tie or occupation and regarded as an entity)

**Meronyms (members of "settlement"):**

colonial (a resident of a colony)

**Hyponyms (each of the following is a kind of "settlement"):**

proprietary colony (a colony given to a proprietor to govern (in 17th century))

Plantation (a newly established colony (especially in the colonization of North America))

frontier settlement; outpost (a settlement on the frontier of civilization)

**Instance hyponyms:**

Demerara (a former Dutch colony in South America; now a part of Guyana)

Calpe; Gibraltar; Rock of Gibraltar (location of a colony of the United Kingdom on a limestone promontory at the southern tip of Spain; strategically important because it can control the entrance of ships into the Mediterranean; one of the Pillars of Hercules)

Plymouth Colony (colony formed by the Pilgrims when they arrived at Plymouth Rock in 1620; it was absorbed into the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1691)

New Amsterdam (a settlement established by the Dutch near the mouth of Hudson River and the southern end of Manhattan Island; annexed by the English in 1664 and renamed New York)

## Sense 2

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### Meaning:

A community of people smaller than a town

### Classified under:

Nouns denoting groupings of people or objects

### Synonyms:

small town; village; settlement

### Hypernyms ("settlement" is a kind of...):

community (a group of people living in a particular local area)

### Hyponyms (each of the following is a kind of "settlement"):

moshav (a cooperative Israeli village or settlement comprised of small farms)

## Sense 3

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### Meaning:

A conclusive resolution of a matter and disposition of it

### Classified under:

Nouns denoting communicative processes and contents

### Hypernyms ("settlement" is a kind of...):

agreement; understanding (the statement (oral or written) of an exchange of promises)

### Hyponyms (each of the following is a kind of "settlement"):

accommodation (a settlement of differences)

conclusion (a final settlement)

out-of-court settlement (resolution of a dispute prior to the rendering of a final decision by the trial court)

property settlement ((matrimonial law) the division of property owned or acquired by marriage partners during their marriage)

accord and satisfaction (the settlement of a debt by paying less than the amount demanded in exchange for extinguishing the debt)

## Sense 4

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### Meaning:

The act of colonizing; the establishment of colonies

### Classified under:

Nouns denoting acts or actions

### Synonyms:

colonisation; colonization; settlement

### Context example:

the British colonization of America

### Hypernyms ("settlement" is a kind of...):

constitution; establishment; formation; organisation; organization (the act of forming something)

### Hyponyms (each of the following is a kind of "settlement"):

population (the act of populating (causing to live in a place))

## Sense 5

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### Meaning:

Something settled or resolved; the outcome of decision making

### Classified under:

Nouns denoting cognitive processes and contents

### Synonyms:

closure; settlement; resolution

### Context examples:

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**Hypernyms** ("settlement" is a kind of...):

deciding; decision making (the cognitive process of reaching a decision)

## Sense 6

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**Meaning:**

An area where a group of families live together

**Classified under:**

Nouns denoting spatial position

**Hypernyms** ("settlement" is a kind of...):

geographic area; geographic region; geographical area; geographical region (a demarcated area of the Earth)

**Hyponyms** (each of the following is a kind of "settlement"):

hamlet; village (a settlement smaller than a town)

## Sense 7

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**Meaning:**

Termination of a business operation by using its assets to discharge its liabilities

**Classified under:**

Nouns denoting acts or actions

**Synonyms:**

liquidation; settlement

**Hypernyms** ("settlement" is a kind of...):

conclusion; ending; termination (the act of ending something)

**Hyponyms** (each of the following is a kind of "settlement"):

viatical settlement; viaticus settlement (sale of an insurance policy by a terminally ill policy holder)

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# settlement

A settlement is a colony or any small community of people. If a bunch of people build houses on the moon together, they'll have the first lunar **settlement**. A **settlement** is also the resolution of something such as a lawsuit.

One kind of settlement is a place where people live. This can be a community that's smaller than a town, like a village. Also, if one country establishes a colony somewhere else, that can be called a settlement. The other kind of settlement happens when something is settled, like the end of a disagreement. A lawsuit is ended if there's a settlement — both parties make an agreement that often involves money. A settlement brings closure and resolution.

#### PRIMARY MEANINGS OF:

## settlement

- 1 *n* the act of colonizing; the establishment of colonies
- 2 *n* something settled or resolved; the outcome of decision making

#### FULL DEFINITIONS OF: settlement

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*n* the act of colonizing; the establishment of colonies

**Synonyms:** colonisation, colonization

**Types:** population  
the act of populating (causing to live in a place)

**Type of:** constitution, establishment, formation, organisation, organization  
the act of forming or establishing something

*n* a body of people who settle far from home but maintain ties with their homeland; inhabitants remain nationals of their home state but are not literally under the home state's system of government

**Synonyms:** colony

**Examples:** show 4 examples...

**Types:** frontier settlement, outpost  
a settlement on the frontier of civilization

Plantation  
a newly established colony (especially in the colonization of North America)

proprietary colony  
a colony given to a proprietor to govern (in 17th century)

**Type of:**

Think you know settlement? Quiz yourself:

settlement means :

- resolution
- termination
- dispute
- contract

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*New York Times* Jan 20, 2015

The settlement is not final, the people said, and any deal would need the approval of about a dozen state attorneys general.

*New York Times* Jan 19, 2015

The settlement between the Department of Environmental Quality and Western Metals Recycling resolves three of four violations cited by the agency.

*Washington Times* Jan 17, 2015

A ruling isn't expected until April at the earliest and, barring a settlement, appeals are likely.

*Washington Times* Jan 18, 2015

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**body**

a group of persons associated by some common tie or occupation and regarded as an entity

*n* a community of people smaller than a town

Synonyms: [small town](#), [village](#)

Types: [moshav](#)

a cooperative Israeli village or settlement comprised of small farms

Type of: [community](#)

a group of people living in a particular local area

*n* an area where a group of families live together

Examples: [show 8 examples...](#)

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Type of: [geographic area](#), [geographic region](#), [geographical area](#), [geographical region](#)

a demarcated area of the Earth

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*n* something settled or resolved; the outcome of decision making

*"they finally reached a settlement with the union"*

Synonyms: [closure](#), [resolution](#)

Type of: [deciding](#), [decision making](#)

the cognitive process of reaching a decision

*n* a conclusive resolution of a matter and disposition of it

Examples: [Missouri Compromise](#)

an agreement in 1820 between pro-slavery and anti-slavery factions in the United States concerning the extension of slavery into new territories

Types: [show 7 types...](#)

Type of: [agreement](#), [understanding](#)

the statement (oral or written) of an exchange of promises

*n* termination of a business operation by using its assets to discharge its liabilities

Synonyms: [liquidation](#)

Types: [viatical settlement](#), [viaticus settlement](#)

sale of an insurance policy by a terminally ill policy holder

Type of: [conclusion](#), [ending](#), [termination](#)

the act of ending something